(b) by when these encroachers are going to be given possession of 'Thiyas' by DDA and shifted from the road;

(c) the reasons for delay in the matter; and

(d) the steps being taken to expedite the shifting of encroachers of the road?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA) : (a) to (d) yes, Sir. The Delhi Development Authority has reported that necessary formalities are being completed for allotment of the 'Thiyas' and shifting encroachers from the road. The disision for allotment could not be taken up earlier due to Court case.

Repealing of Urban land Ceiling Act

544. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has decided to repeal Urban Land Ceiling Act;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government have also taken a decision to set up a Committee to restructure bungalows in Lutyen Zone in the Capital;

(d) if so, by when the Committee is likely to submit its report; and

(e) by when the same will be implemented by Government?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAM JETHMALANI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Government has decided to repeal the ULC Act, 1976 in view of its poor performance and failure to achieve its objectives.

(c) The Government has issued a Notification on 25.05.98 constituting a Committee to examine redevelopment in Lutyen's Bungalow Zone.

(d) The Committee is likely to submit its report within two months.

(e) It is difficult to mention the time frame within which the Report of the Committee will be implemented since the Committee has only just been set up.

Changes in the Delhi Rent Control Act

545. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to make further changes in the Delhi Rent Control Act;

(b) if so, the details of changes likely to be made; and

(c) by when the revised bill in this respect would be brought forward and implemented?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAM JETHMALANI): (a) to (c) The Delhi Rent Act 1995 received assent of the President on 23.08.95. Since the Government was considering its amendment, the Act was not brought into force. In July 1997, it was decided by the Govt. to amend the Act before bringing it into force. The Delhi Rent (Amendment) Bill 1997 was introduced in the Rajya Sabha on 28.07.97 for amending some provisions mainly relating to deemed rent; compulsory registration of tenancies; enhancement of rent; inheritability of tenancy and eviction of tenants, in the Delhi Rent Act 1995. The Amendment Bill 1997 is pending in the Rajya Sabha at present.

Schemes submitted under AUWSP by Gujarat

546. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) total number of schemes so far submitted by the State Government of Gujarat under Accelerated Urban Water Supply Programme (AUWSP) to Central Government;

(b) The details of each scheme, town-wise and district-wise and total amount involved in each scheme;

(c) whether Government have approved all the schemes and released the requisite funds; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor and the measures Government propose to take for the schemes of Gujarat under AUWSP?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND